# Major in Religious Studies

## Four-Year Academic Plan

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**Required Departmental Courses:**¹

- REL 150 Understanding Christian Faith | 4
- REL 200 Biblical Texts and Contexts | 4
- REL 220 Religions of the World | 4
- REL 400 Seminar in Religious Studies | 4

**One of the following Experiential Learning Element:**²

- REL 490 Travel Seminar | 4
- REL 495 Research | 4
- REL 499 Internship | 4

**Three Comparative Studies track courses:**

- REL 225 Native American Spirituality | 4
- REL 260 Islam: An Introduction | 4
- REL 330 Buddhism in Film | 4
- REL 360 Religious Conflict and Peace | 4
- REL 370 Gender and Religion | 4

**Three Christian Studies track courses:**

- REL 235 The Black Church | 4
- REL 250 Development of the Christian Tradition | 4
- REL 280 Signs and Wonders | 4
- REL 300 Old Testament Interpretation | 4
- REL 310 Jesus and the Gospels | 4
- REL 315 Paul and the Epistles | 4
- REL 340 Christian Social Ethics | 4
- PHL 250 Philosophy of Religion | 4

**Three Religion and Culture track courses:**

- REL 180 Religion and Film | 4
- REL 270 Death and Dying | 4
- REL 285 Religion and Science | 4
- REL 360 Religious Conflict and Peace | 4
- REL 370 Gender and Religion | 4
- REL 480 Religion and Ecology | 4

**Requirements for a Minor in Religious Studies**

- REL 220 Religions of the World | 4
- REL 400 Seminar in Religious Studies | 4
- Two Religion Electives | 8

**Total Credit Hours** | 16

Courses listed in *italics* are required for the Integrative Core program.

This document is a template for degree tracking purposes. For specific information on courses, prerequisites, University regulations or Departmental policies, consult the University Catalogue.